

TEWELL STONE HOUSE

AL-III-C-036
Williams Road, Flintstone
ca. 1820

The Tewell Stone House was constructed ca. 1820 by John McElfish Twigg. Twigg built the two story, four bay wide structure of natural limestone and logs. The house is one of a small group of stone structures found in Allegany County.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Tewell Stone House

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Williams Road

CITY, TOWN

Flintstone

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Sixth

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Allegany

3 CLASSIFICATION**CATEGORY**☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT**OWNERSHIP**☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED**STATUS**☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS**ACCESSIBLE**☒ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☐ NO**PRESENT USE**☒ AGRICULTURE☐ MUSEUM☐ COMMERCIAL☐ PARK☐ EDUCATIONAL☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ RELIGIOUS☐ GOVERNMENT☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ MILITARY☐ OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Marshall H. Tewell

Telephone #: 722-6784

STREET & NUMBER

Williams Road

CITY, TOWN

Flintstone

☒ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland, 21530

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Allegany County Courthouse

Liber #: 292

Folio #: 486

STREET & NUMBER

30 Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Cumberland

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION**CONDITION**

☐ EXCELLENT
☒ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Tewell House is located on Williams Road near Rush, Allegany County.

The Tewell House is a two story, two bay wide square building constructed of limestone laid in coursed rubble pattern. A two story addition, abuts the main block on the north side. The first floor of the addition was constructed of limestone while the second floor was constructed of logs but has since been covered with asbestos siding. The building rests on a low limestone foundation with a plain water table. The roof is gabled with a wide soffit and rafter ends and is covered with tin. The walls of the Tewell house are plain with the exception of the plain quoins located at the corners of the main block and the addition. The original windows have been replaced and they are now double hung, wooden sash frames with a combination of two over two and one over one lights. A flat structural arch is located over the first floor windows. on the main facade. Two small four light windows are located in the southern gable end. The main entrance is located on the east facade. The door and hardware have been replaced. Both are covered by a hood on brackets. A massive corbeled stone chimney is located in the interior of the building.

Two modern additions have also been made to the building. These include a garage which abuts the main block on the southern side and an enclosed entrance porch which is located on the west facade. In addition to the main house, a small limestone outbuilding is located north of the house. It is in Fair condition, having been partially reconstructed with cement blocks.

Although the Tewell House has been altered somewhat, it still retains much of its original fabric and appearance and as such is one of a small group of stone houses in Allegany County.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

John McElfish Twigg

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Tewell Stone House was constructed in the beginning years of the nineteenth century by John McElfish Twigg as a residence for his farmstead.¹ Twigg built the house of natural limestone and logs which are locally, readily available materials. As found in the title search, John M. Twigg had left the real estate to his son Thomas in 1838; thus the estimated construction date of the early nineteenth century.² Stone structures, while not rare in Allegany County, are not plentiful, especially in this area of the county. Although limestone outcroppings are common, the knowledge, skill, and time required to build a stone house restricted construction in such a rural area.

Prior to 1835 the true wealth of the area was still in farm products. The era was before the coal industry began, and as reported in a Baltimore newspaper of the "hundreds of thousands of acres of the finest land in Maryland" could be found in the promising valleys of the county.³

Twigg town itself was once known as "Sink Hole Bottom" and had its origins in a tract of land conveyed by deed from John Perrin to Robert Twigg in September 1760.⁴ It is the decendent of the original Robert Twigg that constructed the stone house.

1. "Hertiage Press", Allegany County Preservation Society: Vol. 1, No. 11 pp. 5

2. Allegany County Land Records

3. Harry Stegmaier Jr., Allegany County-A History. McClain Printing Company 1976 Parsons West Va. pp. 97

4. Ibid pp. 58

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

John Nelson and Joan Baldwin

ORGANIZATION

Allegany County Historic Sites Survey

DATE

4/21/77

STREET & NUMBER

507 National Highway

TELEPHONE

777-5967

CITY OR TOWN

La Vale

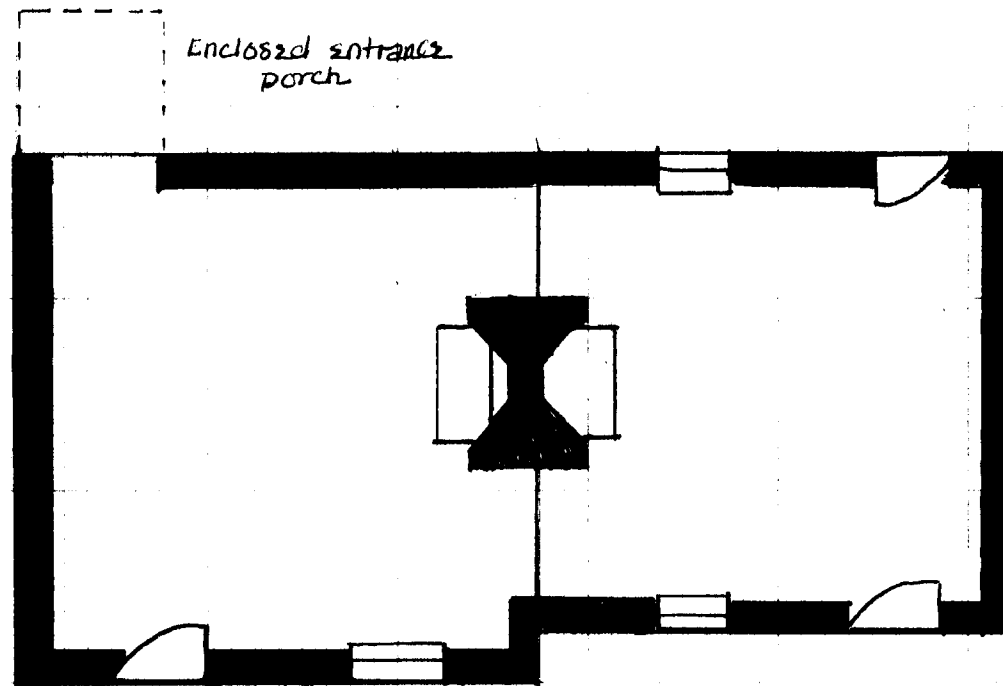
STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
 The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
 Annapolis, Maryland 21401
 (301) 267-1438



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TEWELL SLATE HOUSE
WILLIAMS ROAD, RUSH

1 block = 1'

TITLE SEARCH

Tewell Store House
Williams Road
AL-III-C-036

Allegany County Deed: Liber 292, Folio 486
Grantee: Marshall H. Tewell Date: July 31, 1957
Grantor: Earl E. Manges-Assignee of County Consideration: \$10,000.00
Notes: At a public sale

Allegany County Deed: Liber 311, Folio 266
Grantee: James Willison Date: March 18, 1955
Grantor: Marion B. Lohr and Ronald Consideration: \$10,000.00
Notes: Sale was made after the default of mortgage. By the order of
Circuit Court April 18, 1957- The Marshall Tewell were substituted
as purchasers in lieu of Willison.

Allegany County Deed: Liber 267, Folio 31
Grantee: Marion B. and Ronald Lohr Date: March 18, 1955
Grantor: James N. Willison

Allegany County Deed: Liber 251, Folio 72
Grantee: James N. Willison and Margaret Date: June 15, 1953
Grantor: Hilda Willison and Homer and Virvie Willison
Notes: This is a correction to the 244/210 Deed.
Both parties are heirs of Rose Willison.

Allegany County Deed: Liber 244, Folio 210
Grantee: James N. Willison and Margaret Date: Aug. 23, 1952
Grantor: Hilda Willison and Homer and Virgie et al
Notes: Defective in Law did not except 68.5 acres which already been conveyed.
Both parties are heirs of Rose Willison.

Allegany County Deed: Liber 168, Folio 44
Grantee: Rose Willison Date: July 8, 1932
Grantor: Clarence Shutter and Charles Willison Consideration: \$4,700.00
Notes: Clarence and Charles are Assignees of Mortgage.

Allegany County Deed: Liber 87, Folio 59
Grantee: Moses H. Willison Date: April 9, 1900
Grantor: Isaac Chaney Consideration: \$2,000.00

Allegany County Deed: Liber 73, Folio 499
Grantee: Isaac Chaney Date: April 21, 1893
Grantor: Argyle Twigg and William Pearre
Notes: 129 Acres. It being part of the real estate left by the late
Thomas Twigg which was left by the late John M. Twigg prior to 1838.

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DATE: 4/21/77

292/486

98 Acres

REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor

NAME OF PROPERTY: Tewell Stone House

LOCATION OF PROPERTY: Williams Road

DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: East

NAME OF OWNER: Marshall H. Jewell

722-6784

ADDRESS: Williams Road

Flintstone, Maryland

21530

STORIES: 1() 2(x) 3() 4() 5() 6() BAYS: 1() 2(x) 3() 4() 5() 6() 7() ()

WINGS, ADDITIONS: 1 two story on north side 20'x18'

DWELLING SHAPE: (square, cross, rectangular)

WALL CONSTRUCTION:

- () FRAME: Bevel, clapboard, weatherboard, wood shingles, board & batten (type?)
() BRICK: Bond type - common, English, Flemish. Sketch variants.
(x) STONE: Bond type - rubble, ashlar (random or regular), quoins-plain, rusticated
(x) LOG
(x) OTHER: Coverings Asbestos

WALL FEATURES: Belt Course, Pilasters, Others quoins

FOUNDATIONS: High, Low, Brick, Stone

WATER TABLE: None, Plain, Beveled, Moulded Brick

WINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1(x) 2/2() 6/6() 9/6() 9/9() other() Replaced
pegged() nailed(x) wide() narrow() mitred() pediment()

ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: East
HARDWARE: original() replaced(x)
FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN
Paneled, Verticle, Horizontal Boards

CORNICE, BARGE, EAVES: (crown, fascia, soffit, bed)
original() replaced() rafter ends, modillions, dentils, frieze, architrave

ROOF: Gable front, Gable flank, Hip, Shed, Mansard, Gambrel, Flat, Dormers #
MATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin, asphalt; original() replaced(x)

PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed() hip() gable()

CHIMNEYS: Number: 1 Brick() Stone(x) Corbeled() original(x) replaced()
Location: Flush end() Inside end() Outside end() Central() Interior(x)

ARCHES: Door & Windows: Keystone, Flat, Segmental, Semicircular

COMMENTS:

USE: Residence/farmhouse

SIGNIFICANCE: Architecture

DATE CONSTRUCTED: 1840?

CONDITION: Good

FLOOR PLAN:

- () CENTRAL HALL: Two rooms, each side; double parlor, one side
- () SIDE HALL: One room deep, two rooms deep
- () IRREGULAR

STAIRWAYS:

- () ENCLOSED: Single flight, two flights with landing
- () OPEN: Single flight, two flights - one landing, three flights - two landings
- () DOG-LEG
- () DOG-LEG with WINDERS
- () SPIRAL
- () ROUNDED
- () SYMMETRICAL DIVIDED FLIGHTS

WALL FINISH:

- () PLASTER
- () PANELED: original; replaced
- () BOARD PARTITION: baseboard, cornice, chair rail, wainscot

FIREPLACES:

NUMBER _____
LOCATION: parallel to walls, diagonal
MANTELS: wood mouldings, pilasters, columns, masonry, marble

DOORS: paneled, board and batten, flush
HARDWARE: original; replaced

DOOR & WINDOW TRIM:

- () PLAIN
- () ARCHITRAVE
- () SYMMETRIC with CORNER BLOCKS
- () FLUTED
- () FLUTED with CORNER BLOCKS
- () ARCHED OPENINGS: elliptical, tudor

NOTES:



4394

40'

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Tewell Stone House
Williams Rd, Twigg town
USGS Louisville Creek Quad
D. 24,000
1974 Revised

110 000 FEET
(PA.)

4389000m N.

39°37'30"

78°37'30"

INTERIOR GEOLOGICAL SURVEY,
RESTON, VIRGINIA - 1975

702000m E.

1 750 000 FEET (PA.)

703

1 MILE

● = SITE LOCATION

ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Heavy-duty

Light-duty

GOLDTOWN
3263 11 55

7000 FEET



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TWELL ^{Stenz}~~SHAW~~ HOUSE

Williams Road, Rush

John E. Nelson

4/21/77

North 2nd St



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Tewell Stone House (Spring house)

Williams Road, Rush

John E. Nelson

4/21/77

Northwest



AI-III-C-036

Tewell Stone House

Williams Road, Rush

John E. Nelson

4/21/77

Southwest



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Tewgil Stone House

Williams Road, Rush

John E. Nelson

Northwest

4/21/77



TEWELL STONE HOUSE

J. H. NEPAH 7/77

AL-III-C-0360

Blackrock

MHT



TEWELL STONE HOUSE

J. 4 - 7/24

AL-III-C-036

Bratnick

MHT